(SRI D. DEVARAJ URS)

(*b*) The number of Head Constables to whom rewards were sanctioned by the Superintendent of Police, Shimoga as entered in the Service Registers are as follows :—

Year	*Number of Head Constables*
1970	.. 50
1971	.. 53
1972	.. 26

(*c*) There are no such instances.

RETENTION OF CLERKS IN SAME PLACE IN POLICE DEPARTMENT AT SHIMOGA.

35. Sri B. G. BANAKAR (Hirekerur).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Governments is aware of the fact that two clerks, one in Crime Branch and another in Accounts Branch, of the Office of the Superintendent of Police, Shimoga, are retained there only for the last period of 20 years ;

(*b*) the reason as to why these clerks are not transferred ;

(*c*) whether the same policy of retaining such clerks in Police department is prevailing every where in the Police Department in the State ?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) None of the Clerks is working in the same Branch (including Crime Branch and Accounts Branch) for the past 20 years in the District Police Office, Shimoga.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).

(*c*) No official is continued in the same branch for 20 years. But experienced officials are sometimes continued in the same branch for 4 or 5 years in public interest.